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In re application of: Williams, et al.)
Serial No: 09/768,975) Art Unit
Filed: January 23, 2001) 2653
For: A DUAL STAGE, HEAD STACK ASSEMBLY)
FOR A DISK DRIVE)
Examiner: Blouin, Mark)
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

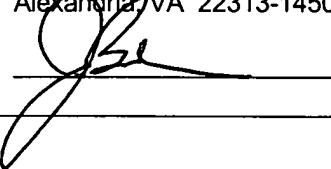
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Sir:

This response is to the Office Action dated July 13, 2004, having a three-month deadline for response that expires on October 13, 2004. Please amend the above-captioned patent application as provided below. This amendment and response is timely filed within the three-month deadline for response.

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